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ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

One Hundredth Legislature

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~~'The superior court messenger of Cumberland County shall also receive \$11 per day for court vacation time, service and attendance when said service and attendance are authorized by a Justice of the Superior Court.'~~

Effective September 16, 1961

Chapter 309

AN ACT Relating to Public Hearing on Certain Articles in Warrant for Town Meeting.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

R. S., c. 90-A, § 37, sub-§ IV, amended. Subsection IV of section 37 of chapter 90-A of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 405 of the public laws of 1957, is amended by adding after the first sentence the following:

'If such particular article be placed in the next ballot printed, a public hearing shall be held by the municipal officers on the subject of such article at least 10 days before the day for voting thereon. Notice of such public hearing shall be given by the municipal officers by causing a copy of said proposed article together with the time and place of hearing, to be posted in the same manner required for posting a warrant for a town meeting, at least 7 days before the date set for such hearing, and a return shall be made on the original notice by the municipal officers stating the manner of notice and the time when it was given. The requirement for public hearing shall not be a prerequisite to the valid issuance of any bond, note or other obligation of a municipality authorized to borrow money by vote under any such particular article.'

Effective September 16, 1961

Chapter 310

AN ACT Relating to Criminal Acts Due to Mental Disease.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

R. S., c. 149, §§ 38-A - 38-B, additional. Chapter 149 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding 2 new sections to be numbered 38-A and 38-B, to read as follows:

'Mental Responsibility for Criminal Conduct.

Sec. 38-A. Responsibility. An accused is not criminally responsible if his unlawful act was the product of mental disease or mental defect. The terms "mental disease" or "mental defect" do not include an abnormality manifested only by repeated criminal conduct or excessive use of drugs or alcohol.

Sec. 38-B. When acquitted. When the respondent is acquitted on the ground of mental disease or mental defect excluding responsibility, the verdict and the judgment shall so state and the court shall order him to be committed to the